

Dance for Joy

Recital Costume, Hair and Makeup Instructions

- **Costumes:**

- **Light pink footed tights** with all ballet costumes, along with their regular pink or white ballet slippers.
- Please be sure that straps are sewn securely as directed by your child's teacher. Please **DO NOT** cross straps or use pins to attach them to costume.
- Fluff out tutus as needed and then store entire costume in a safe place at home. Replacement costumes and/or extra costume pieces will not be available.
- The girls should **NOT WEAR UNDERWEAR** with their costumes. They may wear nude camisoles underneath (this is required for those who will need to change costumes).
- Nothing additional such as flowers or jewelry may be worn except for small earrings in pierced ears. No nail polish!

- **Hair:**

- **Hair *must* be in a bun, with or without bangs, WITH NO SCRUNCHIES (or colored bun holders), unless one was included with the costume as a headpiece.**
- **Suggestions for making a bun:**
 - Put hair in a tight ponytail; if short, wet it and slick back with gel.
 - Hair spray all loose ends; use hair-colored barrettes or criss-crossed bobby pins to hold.
 - Wind a hair net around the ponytail, wind ponytail into a bun and secure with bobby pins. For long hair, braid the ponytail into one or two braids and wind it into a bun; pin with bobby pins as you wind.
 - Cover with hair net and secure with bobby pins as needed, then hair spray everything again.
 - Criss-cross all bobby pins to be sure they stay in.
 - Secure headpiece with bobby pins as shown in class. ***Please remember to secure headpiece, even if it is attached to a headband or barrettes!***

- **Makeup:**

- **Makeup *needs to be done at home. Easy does it!*** - a little powder, blush, light eye shadow, lipstick and maybe mascara, will be fine.
- Color does help under the stage lights, but please try to keep makeup appropriate for young children. 😊